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BULKLEY FARMERS' NEW ORGANIZATION

An important decision was arrived at by the members of the Bulkley Valley Agricultural Association & Farmers' Institute, at the annual meeting, which was held at Aldermere on Saturday last. The proposal that the organization should surrender its charter, to allow of the formation of two distinct organizations, which was the first made two years ago, was adopted without a dissenting vote. It is the unanimous opinion of the members that an agricultural association and a farmers' institute separately organized, will prove more satisfactory than the dual association.

Saturday, January 15, has been fixed as the date for a general meeting of the Bulkley Valley farmers, to be held at Aldermere at two p.m. This meeting should be attended by all interested in the development of the agricultural resources of the district, as the preliminary steps for the formation of the new organizations will then be taken. Everyone is invited to attend, whether members of the old organization or not.

A Farmers' Dance will be held in the evening and the ladies are expected to bring refreshments.

Reports for the year, presented at the annual meeting, showed that the old association had been active and successful. The treasurer reported that the business of the organization for the year involved a total of \$5802.05. Liquid assets on hand are \$187.97 and liabilities \$126.65.

It behooves the farmers of the Valley to take an active part in organizing the new association and institute, which will only require general support to prove of immense benefit to the district and the people who are developing its resources.

The Patriotic Fund

In addition to the amounts received from monthly subscribers the following donations have been received since November 1:

Mrs. Stanton	\$ 1.00
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ALLIES ESTABLISHED AT SALONIKI

GERMANS CONCENTRATE IN ALSACE---

SOME ACTIVITY ON WESTERN FRONT

Paris: Gen. Bonnal, a French military expert, writing in the Intransigent on the situation at Saloniki, mentions the German statement that the French and British forces at that Greek port now number 172,000 officers and men and are increasing, and says: "The joint army will soon reach 200,000. They are occupying a semi-circle around Saloniki which itself is just beyond range of the heaviest guns, those carrying shells 18 to 22 miles. Fifteen days of entrenching have now given the defensive works a certain solidity, so that 200,000 men, with ample food and munition supplies and reinforcements available by the open sea routes, should be able to resist an army consisting of two or three times their number."

Paris: A renewal of fighting in Alsace, on a large scale, is suggested by the concentration of 300,000 German troops under Von Mackensen, in the last fortnight. Twenty-two villages have been evacuated by their inhabitants to allow of the Teutonic operations.

Paris (official): "In Artois, our artillery has displayed activity in the region of Givenchy and in the neighborhood of the road to Lille. On the north bank of the Aisne we effectively bombarded an automobile convoy between Conde and Manteuil."

"In the Woevre, to the southeast of the forest of Apremont, the mine fighting was to our advantage."

"In the Vosges, at Hartmannsweilerkopf, after counter-attacks by the enemy, our troops to the left, on the slopes to the north of the summit, returned to the positions they had previously occupied."

"On the center and the right, that is to say, on the ridges to the southeast of the summit, and more to the south, as far as in front of Wattwiller, we consolidated completely the ground covered on a front of about a mile and a quarter. A snowstorm occurred in the course of the afternoon."

"The enemy has violently bombarded the northern slopes and summit of Hartmannsweilerkopf."

Rome: The Allies' submarines have captured an Austrian submarine and are towing it into

Malta, according to despatches received here today.

Christiania: Henry Ford was a passenger for New York on the Norwegian liner Bergensfjord, which sailed today. He says the peace movement will continue under the auspices of the women's international peace association.

Copenhagen: It is reported that the Kaiser's illness results from cancer of the throat. The same malady caused the death of his father.

London: Premier Asquith, replying to a question in the house of commons last night, said that the total casualties sustained by British troops from the beginning of the war to Dec 9 were 528,227 killed, wounded and missing.

Petrograd: Russian warships have sunk the Turkish cruiser Midilli (formerly the German cruiser Breslau) and have disabled the Sultan Selim, formerly the Goeben.

Rome: A number of Greek vessels, engaged in supplying oil to German submarines in the Mediterranean, have been taken by Italian torpedo boats.

LOCAL AND DISTRICT NEWS PARAGRAPHS

W. J. Carr left on Thursday for a visit to Smithers.

H. R. Smith, of Barrett, was among today's arrivals.

R. H. Gerow, of Burns Lake, is spending the holidays in town.

H. G. Smith, of Smithers, was here between trains on Monday.

Lyster ("Barney") Mulvany came in from Burns Lake yesterday.

A. E. Player returned on Thursday from a business visit to Prince Rupert.

D. J. Williams, superintendent of the Rocher de Boule, was in town on Wednesday.

H. H. Little left yesterday for Prince Rupert, where Mrs. Little is spending the holidays.

C. V. Wright, of the government office staff, is spending his vacation at Prince Rupert.

Nearly all the Hazelton Indians went up to Kispiox early in the week, to attend a great potlatch.

Al Chapple, who was invalided home as the result of wounds received at Festubert, is in Prince Rupert.

Mrs. Newick has been a patient at the Hospital for several days, but has nearly recovered from her illness.

Superintendent Norrie, of the Silver Standard, is the father of a baby boy, born at the Hospital on Wednesday.

Miss Maggie Allen, who is a pupil at Prince Rupert high school, is spending the Christmas vacation with her parents.

Leonard Wrinch, who is attending high school in Vancouver, is spending the holidays with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Wrinch.

Joe Bussinger, one of the locators of the Grouse Mountain copper claims, which have attracted so much attention of late, is a visitor in Hazelton.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Sproule arrived from Smithers on Monday. The newly-wedded couple are the recipients of congratulations and good wishes from many friends.

Engineer Morris, who has been in charge of G.T.P. work at Sealy Gulch bridge, left on Monday for Winnipeg, where he has accepted a position. He is succeeded by A. E. Oakley, of Prince Rupert.

At tomorrow evening's service Rev. W. M. Scott will preach a Christmas sermon. There will be special music appropriate to the season, including a quartet, a duet, and a chorus by little girls.

Fred Field, son of Rev. John and Mrs. Field, of Hazelton, is now a private in the 102nd (Comox-Atlin) Battalion, and is in camp with that corps at Comox. Fred, who has many warm friends in this district, has been a resident in Courtenay for over a year.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO OUR READERS

To Aid Returning Soldiers

At the call of Government Agent Hoskins, a meeting of citizens was held on Monday evening for the appointment of a committee to co-operate with the Returned Soldiers' Aid Commission, a newly formed organization which has jurisdiction in British Columbia. After full discussion of the matter, it was decided to appoint a committee as representing the Skeena valley, above Copper City, and the Kispiox. The following were elected by ballot: A. E. Player, R. E. Allen, Wm. Ware, J. Naylor, A. R. MacDonald, with S. H. Hoskins as member ex-officio.

A change of train service is announced by the G.T.P. Hereafter westbound passenger trains will leave Hazelton on Tuesdays and Fridays at 10:48 a.m. and eastbound passenger trains on Mondays and Thursdays at 6:08 p.m. A mixed train, to which a passenger coach and baggage car will be attached, will leave Hazelton for the west every Thursday morning, and for the east every Saturday evening.

JAILED FOR SELLING LIQUOR TO INDIANS

Philip Hart was convicted yesterday of supplying liquor to Indians. Magistrate Hoskins gave the prisoner a severe lecture and sentenced him to five months at hard labor, expressing his regret that the law did not provide flogging as a part of the penalty.

Death Was Accidental

The coroner's inquest in the case of Pryce Hughes, who died as a result of injuries sustained when a mass of ore fell on him at the Rocher de Boule, was concluded yesterday. The jury found that death was the result of accident, and that no blame was attachable to anyone.

Christmas Tree Next Thursday

A Christmas tree entertainment and social will be held in Assembly Hall on Thursday evening next, Dec. 30.

No admission will be charged, and everyone is welcome.

Britain's Aerial Plans

New York: An aero authority declares that Britain is preparing for air raids on Krupp's and the Kiel fleet, in which 500 aerial craft will participate. They will drop 7,000 terribly destructive bombs in each flight.

Big Property Bonded

E. P. Earle, president of the Nipissing Company, operating in Ontario, and vice-president of the Granby Company, has taken an option on the Treadwell group, at Kitsumgalum Lake, north of the Skeena River, and proposes to develop it during the coming summer. The property is a free gold deposit. It is owned by Joseph Belway and A. McLaren. The property is distant twenty-six miles from Terrace, on the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway. Gold is stated to occur over a width of thirty feet and the average value is stated at about \$10 per ton. The deal was arranged through C. F. Law, of Vancouver, when in New York recently.—Province.

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We believe the time is not far distant when the question of universal military training will become a live issue in Canada, and we are confident that the people of the Dominion will declare themselves in favor of some such system as that which has proven so successful in Australia and New Zealand.

Four years ago our Antipodean cousins adopted the method recommended by Lord Kitchener, who visited the country at their request, and the record of the Anzac troops speaks volumes for the practicability and success of their system of defence. With a view to defending the Commonwealth and Dominion in time of need, every boy and young man is required to take the prescribed course of training, which does not, however, interfere to any serious extent with his ordinary occupation. Unless he enlists in the regular forces, the citizen soldier is not liable for service beyond the limits of the Commonwealth or Dominion, and the troops now serving at the front are all willing volunteers.

Briefly, it may be said that the training of the soldier is divided into three periods. Boys from twelve to fourteen are enrolled as junior cadets, youths from fourteen to eighteen as senior cadets, and young men from eighteen to twenty-six as citizen soldiers. Parents are held responsible for the attendance at schools and training camps of boys of the cadet age, and heavy penalties are imposed upon employers who may seek to prevent the older youths from attending to their military duties or cause them to suffer in pocket for the service the state requires.

Junior cadets train one hundred and twenty days every year, not less than fifteen minutes each day, at the schools they attend. They learn to march in squads, to load and shoot a small rifle, to know safety rules, to swim and rescue the drowning, to run and conserve their wind. They are encouraged to play games, especially those that require quick thinking, such as cricket, football and baseball. Senior cadets are organized into companies and battalions, commanded by officers drafted from the citizen forces. Each of the four years of the senior cadet training period must include four day drills of four hours continuous duration, twelve half-day drills of two hours and twenty-four night drills of one hour. The state furnishes the senior cadet with a uniform every two years, and equips him with a cadet rifle. He is put through squad drills, semaphore drills and range practice; instructed in the care and repair of arms and in elementary company and battalion maneuvers. Promotion is won by general efficiency, supplemented by competitive examinations.

After eighteen the youth becomes a citizen soldier. He is liable to be called to the colors in war time, and whether he is assigned, by his own choice, to the permanent or the citizen forces, he must until twenty-six train each year for the equivalent of sixteen whole day drills (in the infantry), of which not less than eight must be in camps of continuous training. Engineers, artillery and cavalry train twenty-five days annually, seventeen in camps of continuous training.

The training of the citizen soldier eighteen and over is thorough. In the instruction camps he learns to dig trenches, mine and counter-mine, construct field telephone systems, build bridges, handle artillery, attack in extended and close order, take advantage of protective cover from both infantry and artillery fire, and maneuver in large bodies. After twenty-six the obligation to train oftener than one day each year ceases. He joins the rifle club of his training area and continues target practice until he is thirty-five. Schools for officers are maintained in each of the six military districts, and 8,000 young men are receiving instruction in them. Here, as in the cadet schools, merit alone wins promotion.

When universal training was first suggested, many Australians professed to see a danger to personal liberty and a trend towards militarism, but the youth of the land adopted the system with enthusiasm, and four years' experience has made it popular, not only on the farms and ranges of the country, but also in the great cities.

The adoption of a similar system of training in Canada would result in untold benefit to the youth of the Dominion, and if Canada or the Empire should be again threatened in a great war, our volunteer armies would be ready for the front at a day's notice, instead of requiring from six months to a year's training.

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TAKE NOTICE that by an order of His Honour Judge Young, dated the 15th day of December, 1915, I was appointed Administrator of the Estate of Frank Willimaki, alias Frank Hill, deceased, intestate.

All persons having claims against the said Estate are hereby requested to forward the same, properly verified, to me, before the 3rd day of January, 1916, and all persons indebted to the said Estate are required to pay the amounts of their indebtedness to me forthwith.

Dated 20th December, 1915.

STEPHEN H. HOSKINS,
Official Administrator.
Hazelton, B. C.

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Canada in the Lead

According to figures compiled by the Railway Age Gazette, which is published in New York, during 1914 Canada constructed more miles of new railway lines than the United States. This is the first time that any country has exceeded the United States' record in this particular. During 1914 Canada constructed 1,978.67 miles of first and 152.50 miles of second track. In the United States the record for the year was 1,531.80 miles of first track and 565.58 miles of second track.

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The World's Doings in Brief

News Notes from Many Sources

The Montreal price of lead is 6½ cents.

The Kentucky river is reported in flood.

Manitoba grew 234,000,000 bu. of grain this year.

Carranza has prohibited bull-fighting in Mexico.

Bella Coola farmers will co-operate in land clearing.

France has ordered 85,000 tons of steel rails in the U. S.

A tornado in the southern states caused many deaths.

Qualified Indians may now enlist in Canada's overseas forces.

Exports from New York in November totalled \$188,000,000.

Villa is reported to have abandoned his revolutionary campaign.

Japanese in Vancouver will form a corps for overseas service.

Canada's exports for November were \$92,000,000, which is a record.

Americans traveling abroad are now required to procure passports.

Orders for 500 large cannon for the Allies have been placed in the U. S.

The new Russian loan of a billion roubles has been practically taken up.

The U. S. congress has extended the emergency revenue tax until Dec. 31, 1916.

Lack of precautions against cholera has caused 10,000 deaths in the Philippines.

The rails of the P. G. E. have nearly reached Clinton, 167 miles north of Squamish.

Ships aggregating a tonnage of 200,000 are being built in the shipyards of Japan.

Seven Mission Indians were drowned in the upsetting of their canoe in the Fraser.

Elbert Hubbard, who was drowned on the Lusitania, left an estate of \$400,000.

Quebec municipalities endorse the proposal to establish a national labor bureau in Canada.

Many vessels on the Pacific coast have secured charters for next year, at high figures.

Quebec will now enforce the statute compelling the closing of industrial plants on Sunday.

There is growing optimism amongst B. C. loggers as a result of the increasing demand for logs.

Heavy fog in New York harbor was responsible for several shipping accidents on Saturday.

Two streetcars collided on Victoria bridge, Montreal, in a heavy fog. Twenty persons were injured.

Ottawa is considering an embargo on hay exports. Canada's supply may be required for the Allies.

It is predicted that the production of gold in British Columbia will show a 30 per cent increase this year.

The Norwegian government will send an expedition to the North Pacific coast to study the forests. It is intended to re-forest the barren coast line and islands of Norway.

Five schoolboys were killed when a train struck the bus in which they were riding, at Berthold, N. D.

Sixteen were killed and over fifty injured in a triple railway collision at Jarrow, near Newcastle, England.

The Independence party in the Hungarian parliament demands peace and the separation of Hungary from Austria.

The invention of an electric gun, firing a 300-lb. shell without the use of any explosive, is reported from Philadelphia.

The increase in the price of silver to 55 cents an ounce adds \$25,000 a month to the value of the silver production of B. C.

A report says Reginald McKenna, chancellor of the exchequer, is to succeed Baron Hardinge as viceroy of India.

Seven streetcar passengers were killed in Spokane on Saturday, when a car broke through a bridge and fell into the river.

The Kaiser has promised the Pope that his temporal power shall be restored and that a papal state shall be created in Palestine.

Many big mining companies in British Columbia can produce copper for about nine cents a pound. The market price is around eighteen.

In an address at Vancouver the other day, E. A. Hagen, M. E., stated that two-thirds of British Columbia's mining dividends went to United States capitalists.

Newfoundland has placed restrictions on the export of cod liver oil, which was getting into the hands of the Germans, who used the glycerine contained in it for making explosives.

Orders for 22,000,000 shells have been placed in Canada. Over 80,000 men are employed in their manufacture. Canadian prices are lower than those of England or the U. S., and deliveries are being made on time.

Although the youngest commander-in-chief in Europe, Sir Douglas Haig has seen more fighting than any British general, past or present, not excepting Wellington himself. He was born in Scotland 55 years ago.

The question of the resignation of Agent-General Turner, raised by the opposition press, has been settled by the announcement that his resignation, dated October 12 and to take effect Dec. 31, was received in Victoria over a month ago.

A new American steamship company, operating from Atlantic ports to Central and South America, has purchased the seven steamers of the Pacific Mail, which has abandoned its Pacific business owing to the new maritime law of the U. S.

The German government has refused to liberate Dr. Beland, former postmaster-general of Canada, but offers to exchange him for Von Rintelen, who is a prisoner in the Tower of London, and is understood to be under a sentence of death for espionage.

A line of steamers owned by the Canadian Government, to be

operated out of Hudson's Bay, will be established on the completion of the Hudson's Bay line and terminals at Port Nelson, Canada's newest port, and will be in operation in time to carry part of the 1917 wheat crop to its destination overseas, according to advices recently received from Ottawa.

OF INTEREST TO STOCK RAISERS

There has been issued at Ottawa a new edition of Bulletin No. 13 of the Live Stock Branch, "Beef Raising in Canada." It is available on application to the Publications Branch of the Department of Agriculture. Upwards of one hundred pages and nearly as many half-tone illustrations, conveying valuable information, are given. Among the contributors are many of the best informed and most experienced beef raisers and experimenters in Canada.

A section is devoted to descriptive accounts of the various breeds of beef cattle raised in this country, while practical information on breeding, rearing, housing and marketing is also contained.

In dealing with the finished steer it is rightly remarked that to succeed, the requirements of the purchaser must be complied with. The standard of the beef market has changed greatly in recent years. The bullock that commands the highest price is a compact, well-finished animal, weighing not more than 1500 lbs. on foot, and if he only weighs 1200 lbs. he will fetch the top figure, provided he has the form, quality and finish. Even the thousand pound "baby beef" is looked for by the best buyers on this side of the Atlantic, but such cattle are not shipped abroad. The change is greatly to the advantage of the producer, as, other things being equal, the younger the animal goes to market the less is the cost of food and the greater the profit to the producer. To secure delicate flavor and tenderness a certain proportion of fat is necessary, and this should be incorporated with the flesh or lean meat rather than appear only as a covering to the muscles. The great secret in producing a carcass of beef is to treat an animal in such a way that the fat grows with it during the entire period of its lifetime. It is unfortunately the too common practice of Canadian beef raisers to produce all the fat that an animal carries in the course of a few months. Much of the fat put on in this way is deposited on the outside of the carcass; it is largely wasted, as it is useful for little else than tallow. The carcass that dresses out showing specks and streaks of fat throughout the lean tissue commands the highest price. The only way to be sure of good prime quality is to maintain the animal in good condition by a system of liberal

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Application for a lease must be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or Sub-Agent of the district in which the rights applied for are situated.

In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections, or legal subdivisions of sections, and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be staked out by the applicant himself.

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of \$5, which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available, but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lessee may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of \$10.00 an acre.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

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NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next Session on behalf of The Naas & Skeena Rivers Railway Company, a Company incorporated by the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, by Chapter 69 of the Statutes of British Columbia, 1911, for an Act to be entitled "The Naas & Skeena Rivers Railway Act, 1911, Amendment Act, 1916", extending the periods prescribed by Section 79 of the Railway Act, within which The Naas & Skeena Rivers Railway Company should bona fide commence the construction of its railway, procure the bona fide payment up in cash of not less than fifteen per cent of the authorized share capital of the Company, and the expenditure of such fifteen per cent in, upon and towards the construction of its railway, and the completion and putting into operation of the said Company's railway; and for such further and incidental powers as may be necessary.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 24th day of November, 1916.

BARNARD, ROBERTSON,
HEISTERMAN & TALL,
Solicitors for the Applicant.

THE MINER WAR BULLETINS

MONDAY, DEC. 20

Destroyed German Cruiser

Amsterdam: It is officially announced in Berlin that the German cruiser Bremen and a torpedo-boat were sunk by a submarine in the eastern Baltic. A considerable portion of the crews were saved.

The Bremen was built in 1903. Her displacement was 3250 tons, and she carried a crew of 300.

Enemy's Futile Efforts

London (official): "Early this morning the enemy discharged gas against our line to the north-east of Ypres, accompanied by a heavy bombardment. Except at a few places, where they were driven back before reaching our lines, they were prevented from leaving their trenches by our fire. Our protective measures against gas proved effective, and our line is everywhere intact."

"Except for artillery activity on both sides, there has been no further development during the day. The hostile artillery was unusually active east of Ypres and also against our trenches west and south of Messines."

"The enemy blew up two mines in front of our trenches east of Armentieres early this morning. Hostile infantry attempted to occupy the craters, but were driven off by our rifle fire."

"On the rest of the front there is nothing important to report. An enemy aeroplane was brought down by our fire east of Armentieres today."

Italian Success

Rome (official communication): "Despite the fact that stormy weather is hampering operations, the activity of our troops has not been relaxed. On the northern slopes of Monte San Michele, our infantry detachments surrounded a hostile trench position which made a salient in our lines, and captured it by a surprise attack. We took 115 prisoners, including two officers."

Italy's Big Army

Rome: Italy now has two million men engaged in the war and is preparing to add another million.

TUESDAY, DEC. 21

Activity On West Front

Paris: A bombardment by heavy artillery along most of the whole western front, causing the destruction of many German establishments, including three powerful explosions in the German trenches near Ville-au-Bois, in Artois, was reported in last night's official communication from the war office.

"In Artois, rather violent artillery actions occurred in the region of Loos. They were less intense in the direction of Bully, the Givenchy fort, and along the road from Lille. Between Sols-sons and Rheims our shells destroyed a footbridge at Vailley. The fire of our artillery and of our trench cannon, directed on the German trenches at Ville-au-Bois, caused great damage."

Huns May Invade Greece

London: Telegraphing from Saloniki, the Daily Mail's correspondent says:

"Everything points to the belief that, despite Greece's pro-

tests, the Austro-Germans, Bulgarians and Turks will cross the Greek frontier as soon as they are ready. It is reliably reported that the Turks have concentrated two divisions, with cavalry and artillery, close to the Greek frontier at Nievrokop and Kustendil."

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 22

Russians Capture Varna

London: The Daily Chronicle reports the capture of Varna, Bulgaria's chief Black Sea port, by the Russians. It says the bombardment of the Russians silenced the Bulgarian guns and laid the town in ruins, the garrison suffering heavily. The Russians then, according to the report, landed infantry and artillery without loss and in sufficient force to hold the town against a Bulgarian attack.

Enemy Beaten in Persia

London: It is announced from Teheran, according to a despatch received here from the Petrograd semi-official news agency, that the Russians have occupied the town of Kum, 80 miles south-west of Teheran, after a great battle, in which the opposing forces were completely defeated.

On Eastern Front

Petrograd (official communication): "Our aviators successfully bombarded the rear approaches to the enemy positions, in the Godutyzyhki-Komag region east of Svientziany, causing a panic among the convoys."

"On the Galician front, at Novo Alexinie-Buczacz and south-east of Zaliechtchiki, the enemy attempted to pass to the offensive, with small detachments, but all his attempts were frustrated by our fire."

Successful Aerial Raid

Copenhagen: The National Tidende prints a statement of a Dane from Constantinople that the Krupp works outside Constantinople have been destroyed by bombs dropped by British airmen.

Many Prisoners Taken

Paris (official communication): "In the Vosges, at Hartmann Weilerkopf, a strong attack by our troops, delivered after an artillery preparation; permitted us to occupy an important part of the enemy's works and to make 1200 prisoners."

The Germans sustained heavy losses in a futile attempt to occupy the craters resulting from the explosions of mines on the Allied front near Armentieres."

Reinforcements in Greece

Berlin: It is reported that British reserve troops have been withdrawn from islands of the eastern Mediterranean, for service at Saloniki.

Army of Four Million

London: The house of commons has passed the bill providing for the addition of a million men to the army, making four million troops provided for. Closer co-operation between the Allies is indicated by the changes recently made in the staff on the western front.

Submarines Active

London: In the Sea of Marmora British submarines have sunk the German steamer Lerer and other enemy craft laden with war supplies.

THURSDAY, DEC. 23

Hindenburg's Retreat

Geneva: The German offensive against the Russians on the Riga-Dvinsk front has completely failed. Von Hindenburg has been forced to retire before the Russian counter-attacks, after burying his cannon and abandoning an enormous amount of material.

The Germans, unable to cross the Dvina, have suffered heavy losses. Five of their divisions have retreated to Tukum, against which the Russians are now advancing. A sanguinary battle is in progress.

On the Western Front

Paris (official): "On the heights of the Meuse our batteries caused the explosion of a munition depot."

"In the Vosges, at Hartmanns-Weilerkopf, after a series of local actions, the enemy gained a footing in one section of the trenches which we captured yesterday and which were held by our advanced detachments. The number of German prisoners taken at this point surpasses 1300."

"The Belgian official communication reads: 'To the north of Dixmude our heavy guns completed the destruction of the blockhouse overturned yesterday, which the enemy attempted to repair.'"

Bulgars Invade Greece

Copenhagen: The Deutsche Tages Zeitung, of Berlin, a copy of which has been received here, says that Bulgarian troops are entering Greek territory, but that if they are not attacked by Greek troops, they will confine their operations to seizing the Saloniki railway.

Austria Admits Fault

Vienna: Emperor Franz Josef has instructed the foreign secretary to yield to the demands of the United States with regard to the sinking of the Ancona, on which American citizens were lost.

Super-Hun is Sick

New York: A Berlin despatch says the Kaiser is ill, with a high fever that causes anxiety. His three eldest sons have been summoned to his bedside.

Explosion in Germany

London: Advices from Amsterdam state that, according to accounts received there, three hundred of the six hundred women employed in the Muenster powder mills were killed in an explosion.

Sank-Jap Liner

London: The Yasaka Maru, the new Japanese liner, was torpedoed without warning by a submarine in the Mediterranean.

The steamer sank in forty minutes. All on board were saved. The steamer cost \$5,000,000.

LATE TELEGRAPHIC NEWS DESPATCHES

Ottawa: A permanent national Liberal committee of fifty is being formed.

London: The life of the British parliament has been extended for eight months, instead of a year, as at first proposed.

Vancouver: The prohibitionists will not contest the by-elections. Vancouver's Liberal candidate is not yet named, while H.C. Brewster will oppose Hon. A.C. Flumer-

felt in Victoria, and Mayor Wilson will be nominated in opposition to Hon. L. A. Campbell of Rossland.

London: All British forces have been withdrawn from the Suvla Bay section of the Gallipoli. All guns and stores were removed without loss.

Rogers Pass: The center heading of the big C.P.R. tunnel was driven through on Sunday, the bores meeting within half an inch.

NOTICE.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

In the matter of the Administration Act and in the matter of the Estate of John Barrett, deceased, intestate.

TAKE NOTICE that by an order of His Honour Judge Young, dated the 20th day of December, 1915, I was appointed Administrator of the Estate of John Barrett, deceased, intestate.

All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby requested to forward the same, properly verified, to me before the 3rd day of January, 1916, and all persons indebted to the said estate are required to pay the amounts of their indebtedness to me forthwith.

Dated 24th December, 1915.

STEPHEN H. HOSKINS,
Official Administrator.
Hazelton, B. C.

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NOTICE TO DELINQUENT CO-OWNER

To George M. Swan, or to any person or persons to whom you may have transferred your interests, take notice that I, the undersigned co-owner with you in the Cumberland, Russell and Sundown (Russell Group) Mineral Claims, situated in Hunter Basin, in the Hazelton Mining Division of Omineca District, Province of British Columbia, have done the required amount of work on the above mentioned claims for the year 1914 in order to hold the same under section 24 of the Mineral Act and if within 90 days of the publication of this notice you fail or refuse to contribute \$153.50 your costs of this advertisement, together with the said mineral claims will become the property of the undersigned under Section 4 of the Mineral Act Amendment Act of 1900.

J. N. CARR, Co-Owner.
Dated at Smithers, B. C., this 30th day of October, 1915. 9-21

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NOTICE

OMINECA ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

NOTICE is hereby given, that a Court of Revision and Appeal, under the provisions of the "Taxation Act" and the "Public Schools Act", respecting the assessment rolls of the Omineca Assessment District for the year 1916, will be held in the Government Office, Hazelton, B. C., on Friday, the 21st day of January, 1916, at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon.

Dated at Hazelton, B. C.,
December 20th, 1915.

STEPHEN H. HOSKINS

Judge of the
Court of Revision and Appeal.

LAND REGISTRY ACT

Notice under Section 36

TAKE NOTICE that an application has been made to register Charles Victor Smith, of Hazelton, B. C., as the owner in Fee-simple, under two Tax Sale Deeds from the Assessor of the Omineca Assessment District, to Charles Victor Smith, bearing date the 3rd day of November, A.D. 1915, in pursuance of a Tax Sale held by said Assessor on or about the 11th day of October, 1913, of all and singular certain parcels or tracts of land and premises situate, lying, and being in the District of Cassiar, in the Province of British Columbia, more particularly known and described as:-

An undivided one quarter interest in and to Lot One hundred and forty-seven (147), Group one (1), and part (sixty-six (66) acres) of the South East quarter of Lot Fourteen hundred and eighty-one (1481), Range five (5), Coast District.

You and those claiming through or under you, and all persons claiming any interest in the said land by descent whose title is not registered under the provisions of the "Land Registry Act" are required to contest the claim of the tax purchaser within forty-five days of the service of this notice upon you. Otherwise you and each of you will be forever estopped and debarred from setting up any claim to or in respect of the said land, and I shall register the said Charles Victor Smith as owner in fee.

Your attention is called to Section 36 of the "Land Registry Act" and amendments, and especially to the following extract therefrom which relates to the above notice:

"And in default of a caveat or certificate of his pendency being filed before the registration as owner of the persons entitled under such tax sale, all persons so served with notice, or served with notice under subsection (6) of section 155 of the "Municipal Clauses Act, 1906," or section 293 of the "Municipal Act," or section 139 of the "Assessment Act, 1903," or section 263 of the "Taxation Act," in cases in which notice under this Act is dispensed with as hereinafter provided, and those claiming through or under them, and all persons claiming any interest in the land by virtue of any unregistered instrument, and all persons claiming any interest in the land by descent whose title is not registered under the provisions of this Act, shall be forever estopped and debarred from setting up any claim to or in respect of the land so sold for taxes."

Dated at the Land Registry Office, at the City of Prince Rupert, Province of British Columbia, this 22nd day of December, A.D. 1915.

H. F. MACLEOD,

District Registrar.

To GEORGE M. SWAN,

Prince Rupert, B.C.

SNYDER BROTHERS,

Garvis, Oregon.

AMY GARDINER,

17-21. Vancouver, B.C.